

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1368

Introduced by Assembly Member Kehoe
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(Coauthors: Senators Alpert, Hollingsworth, and Poochigian)

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An act to add Sections 16724.3 and 16724.4 to the Government Code, relating to bonds.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1368, as introduced, Kehoe. Bonds.

The existing State General Obligation Bond Law contains procedures for use in authorizing the issuance and sale and providing for the repayment of state general obligation bonds. Existing law also requires prescribed accountability measures to be included in local bond measures.

This bill would require any statewide bond measure to contain specified accountability measures relating to the purposes of the measure, the projects to be funded, and a specified annual report to the Legislature and the Department of Finance.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 16724.3 is added to the Government
- 2 Code, to read:

1 16724.3. On or after January 1, 2004, any bond measure,
2 including any initiative, that is submitted to the voters at a
3 statewide election shall contain accountability measures that
4 include at least all of the following:

5 (a) A statement indicating the specific purpose of the bond.

6 (b) A requirement that the proceeds be applied only to the
7 specific purposes identified pursuant to subdivision (a).

8 (c) A list of projects required or authorized to be funded by the
9 bond proceeds and their geographical location.

10 (d) An annual report prepared pursuant to Section 16724.4.

11 SEC. 2. Section 16724.4 is added to the Government Code, to
12 read:

13 16724.4. (a) For the purposes of meeting the requirement in
14 subdivision (d) of Section 16724.3, the head of the state agency
15 administering the majority of the bond revenues shall report to the
16 Legislature and the Department of Finance no later than January
17 1, 2005, or the January 1 of the second year following the
18 enactment of the bond measure, whichever is later, and at least
19 once a year thereafter. The annual report shall contain all of the
20 following:

21 (1) A list of all projects and their geographical location that are
22 required or authorized to receive funds.

23 (2) The amount of funds allocated on each project.

24 (3) The status of any project required or authorized to be
25 funded.

26 (b) Costs of the report may be included in the cost of
27 administering the bond measure unless the measure specifically
28 prohibits those expenses.